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ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to refer to resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991, by which the Security Council authorized the establishment of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO).

Following the usual consultations, it is my intention to appoint Major-General José Leandro (Portugal) as Force Commander of MINURSO, with effect from 1 April 1996. General Leandro will replace Brigadier-General André Van Baelen (Belgium), whose tour of duty as Force Commander of MINURSO will come to an end on 31 March 1996.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Boutros BOUTROS-GHALI

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